

# Meeting Minutes

**Meeting:** FHWA Meeting

**Date:** September 18, 2008

**Purpose:** Provide FHWA opportunity to informally comment on ADEIS and provide guidance when planning to cross or enter into federally funded highways

**Attendees:**

FHWA: Jodi Chew, Wayne Kaneshiro, and Eric Worrell

HDOT: Patrick Tom

HHCTCP: Toru Hamayasu, Faith Miyamoto, Steve Hogan, Clyde Shimizu, Martin Hall, and Jim Dunn

Attachments: Steve Hogan's and Jim Dunn's presentations

**Minutes:**

1. Faith Miyamoto opened the meeting with a brief update on the status of the DEIS and Steve Hogan followed with a brief review of the project and key milestones.
2. Jim Dunn reviewed the conceptual plans for crossing H-1 Interstate.
3. Clyde Shimizu reviewed the H-2, HOV connection to the proposed Pearl Highlands Transit Center.
4. Martin Hall reviewed the conceptual plans for Farrington Highway, with the introduction of the transit aerial structures.
5. Comments from FHWA:
  - a. FHWA will be required to complete a NEPA analysis for the modifications to the Waiawa Interchange, addressing:
    - i. Traffic congestion – impact to existing movements
    - ii. Safety issues for additional ramp connections
    - iii. Left side exit – driver perception
    - iv. Additional Mililani-bound traffic entering from Kamehameha Hwy from the Pearl Highlands Transit Center

- b. Design exception to interstate standards will be forwarded to Washington DC office for approval; the project should factor these approvals into the schedule.
- c. Easements will be required for “air rights” crossing the interstate
- d. Bicycle concerns discussed:
  - i. Access on trains
  - ii. Bicycle routes connected to transit
  - iii. Transit will not create obstructions to bike paths at stations or other facilities
  - iv. Station access and on-site storage
- e. Security at Park/Ride lots was discussed. Transit will provide security at centers to encourage use.
- f. FHWA asked that they be included in HDOT meetings that involve interstate crossing or design exceptions to federally funded highways.